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Mr. Glen Rogers, Chairman Shivwits Band of Paiute Indian Tribe Post Office Box 448 Santa Clara, UT 84765

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It is our intent to follow the spirit of the Environmental Protection Agency Region VIII (EPA) Policy for Environmental Protection in Indian County, a copy of which is enclosed, which commits to protecting human health and the environment in Indian Country. As stated in the policy paper, the EPA inspectors agree to the following protocol:

- inform the Paiute Indian Tribe at least seven (7) days prior to routine and compliance inspections;
- offer entrance and exit briefings to the Chairman and Council and Tribal Environmental Director concerning the inspection trip;
- take photographs for official purposes only to support inspection and/or compliance activities;

• provide notices of inspection forms and final inspection reports, which will include copies of the photographs, to the Tribal Environmental Coordinator when completed.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Linda Jacobson at (303) 312-6503 or Janice Pearson at (303) 312-6354 for RCRA questions or Donna Inman at (303) 312-6201 for NPDES questions. I look forward to future collaborations with the Tribe to protect human health and the environment on the Paiute Indian Reservation.

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